



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5084

LCO No. 105

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING MANSLAUGHTER WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That part IV of chapter 952 of the general statutes be amended to
- 2 provide that a person is guilty of manslaughter in the first degree with
- 3 a motor vehicle, punishable as a class B felony, when the person, while
- 4 operating a motor vehicle, is typing, reading or sending text or a text
- 5 message with or from a mobile telephone or mobile electronic device,
- 6 or under the influence of intoxicating liquor, and thereby causes the
- 7 death of another person while having any amount of a controlled
- 8 substance in the person's blood, except as authorized under chapter
- 9 420b of the general statutes.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the penalty for manslaughter with a motor vehicle when the operator of a motor vehicle causes the death of another person while the operator is typing, reading or sending text or a text message, or while the operator is under the influence of alcohol, if the operator has any trace of a controlled substance in his or her system.